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1. Descriptive data on the jet plane (see attached sketch): The parked planes showed a tail wheel which was retracted when the plane was in the air. The size of the plane was about that of the Me-109 but the fuselage was considerably slimmer. The plane was painted bluish-gray and had the red star emblem on fuselage, wings and tail unit. (This plane did not have the four rod-like attachments to the nose which are reproduced in the attached sketch) While aloft it made a rustling sound. Its speed was estimated at 480 to 600 miles per hour.

2. Source later saw the same type in Kalinin equipped with four weapons fitted to the nose.

Comment :

The observations made at the Tbilisi Aircraft Plant No 31 show that the one-seat version was concerned (tail wheel on parked planes). The landing gear is reported to be retractable inwards as is the case with the one-seat Yak-15.

Attachment: Aircraft Observed in Aircraft Plant No 31, Tbilisi

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